

Application No. 09/517,364  
Amendment dated February 21, 2006  
Reply to Office action of January 27, 2006

REMARKS

Claims 2-5, 7, and 12-20 are pending in the application after this amendment.

The Examiner has indicated that previously pending claims 6 and 8 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including the elements of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended claim 2 to incorporate the elements of claim 6 therein. Claims 3-5 and 12-17 are dependent directly or indirectly on claim 2 and are allowable for the same reasons as well as for the specific limitations of the dependent claims. Applicant has amended claim 7 to incorporate the elements of claim 8 therein. Claims 18-20 are dependent directly or indirectly on claim 7 and are allowable for the same reasons as well as for the specific limitations of the dependent claims. Applicant has made these amendments for the purpose of furthering prosecution, but reserves the right to file continuation applications.

As the application is now in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to pass the application on promptly to issue.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2115 for any additional fees which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,



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